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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Acton of December 26, 2001, the Examiner is requested to please add the attached Supplemental Declaration and to reconsider the objections and rejections therein.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the objections to the originally filed reissue declaration is requested. At the time of execution, 37 C.F.R. 1.63 had been changed to no longer require the "sole" allegation. Further, acceptance of the attached new declaration is requested. It includes the "sole" recitation, and the "all error" recitation. Further, it includes a comparison of patent claim 1 with all the newly added independent claims. In the recent telephone conversation, Examiner Trettel agreed with the undersigned that a comparison of each of claims 15-100 with each of claims 1-14 would entail a huge burden on applicant, with no advantage for the file history and that a comparison of the newly added independent claims with claim 1 of the patent would suffice to show that the limitation referenced in the declaration was, in fact, eliminated from each of the